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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

INVENTOR(S) : Colin Gerald Caro et al.  
TITLE : **STENTS FOR BLOOD VESSELS**  
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Cleveland, OH 44114  
July 12, 2004

Assistant Commissioner For Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

**CLAIM FOR RIGHT OF PRIORITY**

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.55 and MPEP §201.14, applicant claims the benefit of the filing date of a prior British patent application having Application No. 9826254.6, filed on November 30, 1998, under conditions specified in 35 U.S.C. §119.

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A certified copy of the original foreign application is being filed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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# AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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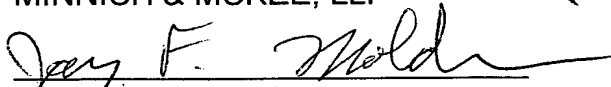
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
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- ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 55.00 for the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer is enclosed.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 55.00 for the enclosed Request For A One Month Extension of Time is enclosed.
- ☒ Claim for Right of Priority is enclosed.
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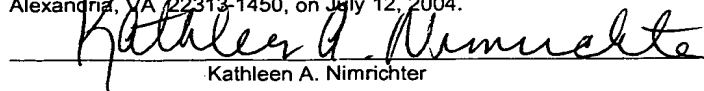
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